



Key Legislative Priorities for Economic and Community Development



Pursuing and protecting the best interest
of the City of Fremont through
legislative advocacy and partnerships at
the Regional, State and Federal level.

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Community and Economic Development

- **Economic Development Tools** — The City supports legislation that provides tools to stimulate economic development in the absence of Redevelopment, including structural changes to Infrastructure Financing Districts to be a more flexible option.
- **Job Growth** — The City supports regional policy and legislation that provides incentives and recognition for job growth in regional planning efforts.
- **Affordable Housing** — The City supports the creation of a long-term funding source that is dedicated to financing housing that is affordable to a range of incomes, from extremely low to moderate.
- **Business Incentives** — The City supports state and federal efforts to continue to fund economic stimulus programs; enact jobs legislation; and financially support small business entrepreneurship training and assistance.
- **Public-Private Partnerships** — The City supports leveraging partnerships in funding priorities.
- **Preservation of Local Land Use Authority** — The City opposes legislation that would remove or limit local government land use authority.

Transportation and Infrastructure

- **Economic Stimulus for Infrastructure Projects** — The City supports state and federal legislation to increase funding for local government infrastructure projects.
- **Copper Wire Theft** — In partnership with other local agencies (e.g., BART, City of Antioch, and City of Milpitas), the City supports legislation that improves regulations to make it more difficult to sell stolen wire and strengthens penalties against: 1) offenders who steal copper wire; and 2) scrap metal dealers that purchase stolen copper wire.
- **Fuel Tax Increase** — The City supports fuel tax indexing or an increase to provide additional funding for local street projects, especially maintenance.
- **Lower Threshold for Approval of Transportation Sales Taxes** — The City supports a constitutional amendment to lower the threshold for approval of sales and use taxes for transportation purposes. Currently, such taxes must be approved by two-thirds of the voters. The City supports lowering the requirement to either 55% (the same requirement schools now face) or to a simple majority.
- **Peak Congestion** — The City supports legislation to provide funding to help mitigate the traffic impacts of projects that create peak period congestion.
- **Quiet Zones at Railroad Crossings** — The City supports legislation that provides funding for quiet zone improvements or allows existing funding sources that pay for various types of transportation improvements to also allow use for quiet zones.





Funding Priorities

There are several projects that the City of Fremont has identified as top transportation and infrastructure funding priorities and for which have funding shortfalls. These are projects that will make the city a better place to live and work. Below are the projects as well as the funding shortfalls. In addition, the South Fremont/Warm Springs Area studies identified several additional projects needed for the development of this key employment area.

City Funding Priorities for Transportation:

- Auto Mall Parkway/I-680 and Osgood Road Intersection Improvements (\$4-5M)
- Auto Mall Parkway Widening I-680 to I-880 (\$25M)
- Mission Boulevard (State Route 262) widening from I-680 to Warm Springs Boulevard (\$4-5M)
- I-680/Mission Boulevard Interchange Improvement Project (\$20M)
- Warm Springs BART West Entrance (\$11M)
- Irvington BART Station (\$120M in 2010 dollars)
- Street/Pavement Rehabilitation (\$160M over the next 5 years)
- ADA Compliance for Intersections (\$45M)
- Sidewalk Repair (Up to \$25M)
- Citywide Fiber Optic and Intelligent Transportation Systems Deployment (\$12M)
- Mowry Avenue Widening at Union Pacific Railroad Tracks (\$45M)

Projects Added by the South Fremont/Warm Springs Study Findings:

- Conversion of the Tesla frontage road into a City street for increased public access (\$9.5M)
- Transit, Bicycle, Pedestrian Improvements (\$17.5 M)
- I-880/Fremont Boulevard Interchange Improvements (\$15M)
- Other Local Streets and Intersection Improvements (\$19.8M)

For more information, go to [Fremont.gov/LegislativeAffairs](https://www.fremont.gov/LegislativeAffairs)



Fremont Community Profile 2012



As the fourth largest city in the San Francisco Bay Area, Fremont's Silicon Valley location is the ideal place to live, work and visit. The City takes pride in its diversified, globally-connected economy where businesses can be successful and residents and visitors can enjoy high-quality programs and services.

Population

Fremont is the 4th largest city in the San Francisco Bay Area; 15th in California

- Total Population 214,089
- Total Households 71,004

Distribution by Ethnicity & Race

- Asian 50%
- White 33%
- Hispanic 14%
- Black/African American 3%

Income

- Average Household Income \$114,169
- Average Household Size 3.0
- Median Age 37 years

Employment Profile

Top Employers (250 - 1,000+ Employees)

Fremont Unified School District
Washington Hospital
Boston Scientific
Western Digital Seagate
AXT Incorporated
Lam Research Corporation
DMS Facility Services, Inc.
Sysco Food Services
Synnex

Tax Profile

- Property Tax Rate 1.1%
- Utility Tax None
- State Sales Tax 8.75%
- Transient Occupancy Tax 10%

Housing and Real Estate

Housing

- Median Home Price (2010).....\$654,700
- Average Monthly Rent (2 Br. Unit) \$1,678
- Land Profile 90 square miles

Development (Total Developed)

- Residential 71,699 Units
- Commercial 9.1 million s.f.
- Industrial/Office 40.3 million s.f.

Transportation

Air

- San Jose International Airport 13 miles
- Oakland International Airport 18 miles
- San Francisco International Airport.... 22 miles

Highways

- Interstates 880 & 680,
State Routes 84, 238, & 262

Ports

- Redwood City 18 miles
- Oakland 27 miles
- San Francisco 37 miles
- Richmond 38 miles

Public Transportation

- Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) system —
2 Stations
- Rail transport lines including
Altamont Commuter Express (ACE)
and Amtrak Capitol Corridor
- AC Transit bus service, locally, and
Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority
provide express service to various points
in Silicon Valley

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